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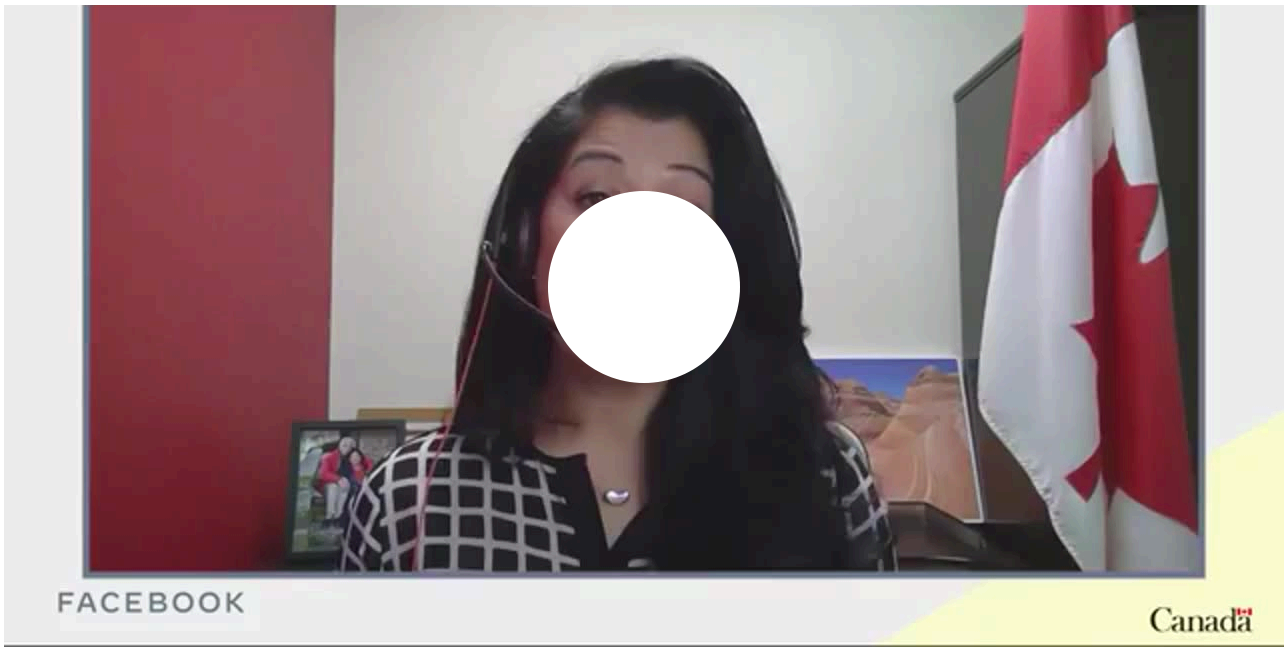
# Kevin Chan, Facebook, Peter Donolo, Rachel Curran, Ottawa Colluding On “Pandemic” Narrative

Kevin Chan, the head of Facebook Canada, had a public meeting with members of the Canadian Government on March 31, 2021. The main topic of discussion was on how Facebook can be used as a tool to help promote the pandemic psy-op. At this point, they aren’t even bothering to hide the fact that they’re all working together.

## 1. Meeting With Public Health Officials

Facebook Canada On Misinformation Being Spread (2021)




Facebook Canada CEO Kevin Chan On Misinformation (2021)

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in fact, even back in October (see 3:50), the Federal Government admitted in a very straightforward manner that it worked with social media outlets. This was to remove certain material, or at least manipulate the algorithm to such a degree it could not easily be found.

## 2. Important Links

facebook.com/facebookappCanada/videos/4191036604275048/
Kevin Chan, Office Of Lobbying Commissioner
Facebook Grants, Part 1
Facebook Grants, Part 2
Facebook Announces $8 Million In Spending
https://www.linkedin.com/in/kevin-chan-m-s-m-5a13b140/
https://archive.is/Ngbtb
https://www.linkedin.com/in/peter-donolo-b71244101/
Open Society “Global Member”, Michael Ignatieff
https://archive.is/qpIJ1
https://archive.is/DXsbT
Ottawa Funded Projects Against Disinformation
https://archive.is/VS3Fm
CIVIX Funding From Federal Government
https://civix.ca/who-we-are/
https://archive.is/qBJtQ

https://jhr.ca/about/the-team

https://archive.is/fppXt

https://jhr.ca/our-work/canada-combatting-misinformaton

https://archive.is/Tlhsb

https://disinfowatch.org/database/

https://archive.is/wfJxb

https://www.linkedin.com/in/chadrogerscrestviewstrategy/

https://archive.is/sDwy2

https://www.linkedin.com/in/rachel-curran-a99258109/

https://archive.is/kxqBE

Erin O'Toole Promotes "War Footing" In Canada

Erin O'Toole, Facebook Lobbyist

https://archive.is/CNa4I

## 3. Kevin Chan & Facebook Canada

**Public offices held: Kevin Chan** ×

List of Public Offices Held

| Position | Period Held | Last Date Designated Public Office Held |
|---|---|---|
| Director of Policy and Research<br>Office of the Privacy Commissioner of Canada, Policy and Research | February 2012 to July 2013 | Not a designated office |
| Director of Policy<br>Office of the Leader of the Opposition, House of Commons | April 2009 to May 2011 | Not a designated office |
| Special Advisor<br>Privy Council Office (PCO), Corporate Services | January 2009 to March 2009 | Not a designated office |
| Director<br>Privy Council Office (PCO), Office of the Clerk | April 2008 to January 2009 | Not a designated office |
| Executive Assistant<br>Privy Council Office (PCO), Operations Branch | August 2007 to April 2008 | Not a designated office |
| Senior Analyst<br>Privy Council Office (PCO), Operations Branch | September 2004 to August 2007 | Not a designated office |

**Legislative Proposal, Bill or Resolution**

- Engagement with government and parliamentarians on legislation impacting online digital platforms. Facebook's engagement is often at the request of government and parliamentarians.
- Engagement with government on taxation matters, including proposed digital services tax.

**Policies or Program**

- Engagement with government and parliamentarians on policies and programs impacting online digital platforms and broader policy issues. Facebook's engagement is often at the request of government and parliamentarians.

**Government Institutions**

- Canadian Heritage (PCH)
- Competition Bureau Canada (COBU)
- Elections Canada
- House of Commons
- Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada (ISED)
- Leaders' Debates Commission
- Prime Minister's Office (PMO)
- Privy Council Office (PCO)
- Public Health Agency of Canada (PHAC)
- Public Safety Canada (PS)
- Senate of Canada

Information about Kevin Chan's time in Public Office can be obtained by searching Facebook with the Lobbying Registry of Canada. From 2004 to 2009, he worked in the Privy Council Office, going as high as becoming Director. He was also in the Office of the Official Opposition from 2009-2011, when Michael Ignatieff and the Liberals would have held that spot. He also spent more than a year in the Privacy Commissioner's Office. The following year, he joined Facebook Canada, and has been there that spot ever since.

These lobbying targets should raise red flags. Chan worked for the Privy Council for years, and went pretty far. Now he lobbies them. And while he worked for the Office of the Official Opposition from 2009 to 2011, some of those same people would now be in the Prime Minister's Office. After all, there was a change in Government, at least on paper.

The Canadian public has indirectly been subsidizing Facebook for a number of years. One way is by giving out money to other companies to purchase ad space. See here and here. And the intrigue grows still.

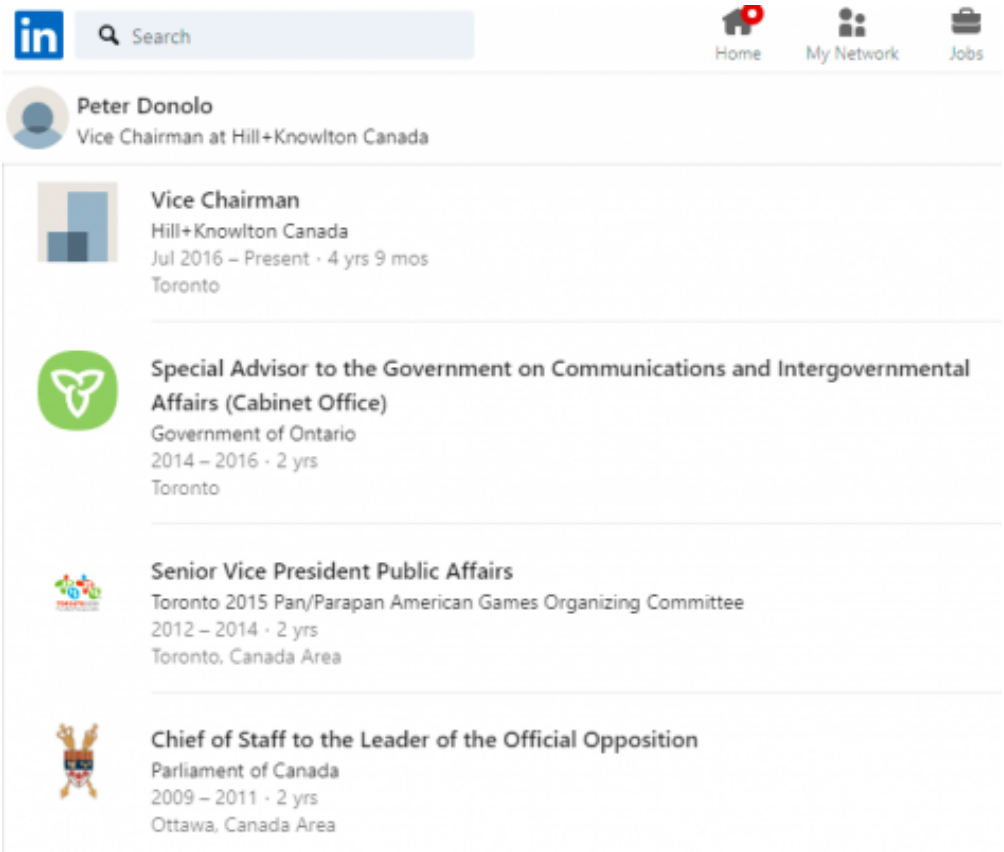
> ***Facebook Inc. pledged Friday to spend $8 million to support news publishing in Canada***, just days before a senior executive is to appear in Ottawa to face questions from MPs on matters including compensation of traditional media companies for news displayed on the tech giant's platform.

> ***Kevin Chan, head of public policy for Facebook Canada***, is expected to be grilled by members of the standing committee on Canadian heritage about why Facebook controversially pulled news off its platform in Australia last month as that country was putting the finishing touches on legislation to guarantee publishers would be compensated for featured news.

Last week, Chan pledged $8 million to support news publishing in Canada. Would that not create a financial dependency on Facebook.

There were also questions surrounding the Facebook in Australia pulling news off its platform altogether. Interesting, that if things become “unworkable”, certain information can simply be removed.

## 4. Peter Donolo: LPC Political Operative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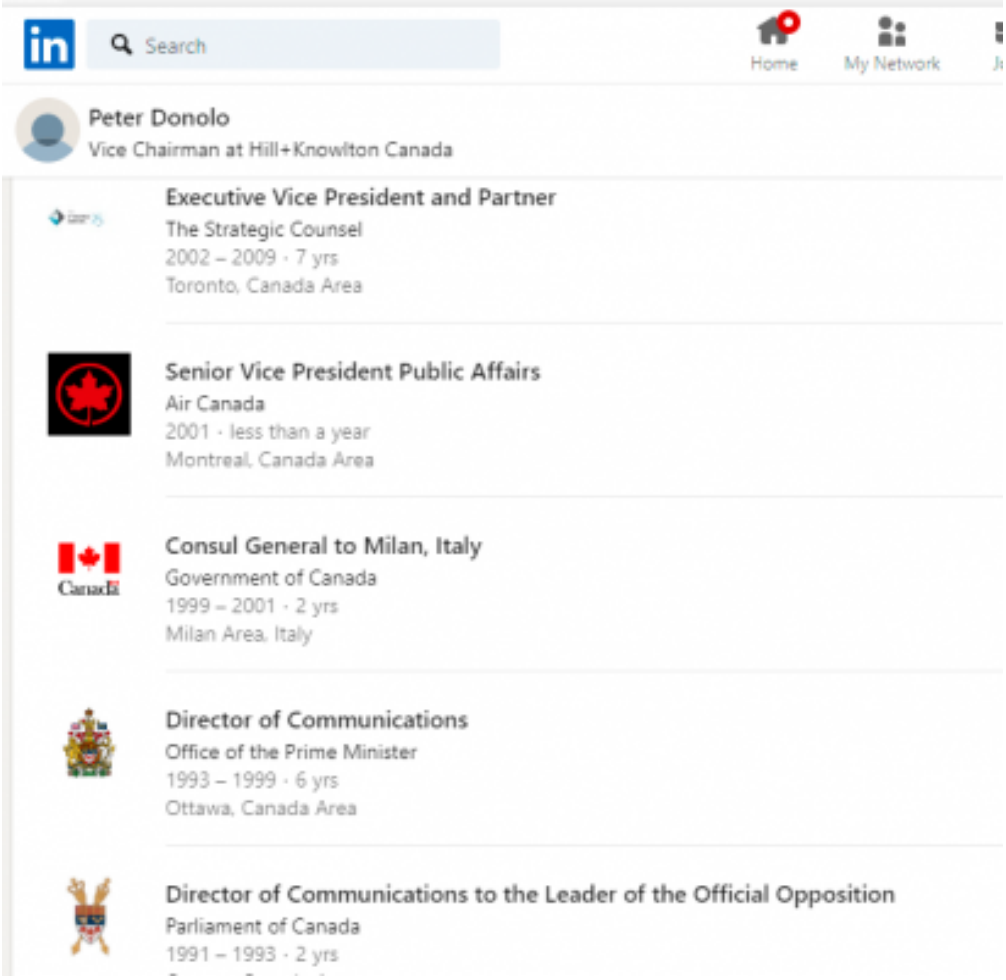
Peter Donolo
Vice Chairman at Hill+Knowlton Canada
Vice Chairman
Hill+Knowlton Canada
Jul 2016 – Present · 4 yrs 9 mos
Toronto
Special Advisor to the Government on Communications and Intergovernmental Affairs (Cabinet Office)
Government of Ontario
2014 – 2016 · 2 yrs
Toronto
Senior Vice President Public Affairs
Toronto 2015 Pan/Parapan American Games Organizing Committee
2012 – 2014 · 2 yrs
Toronto, Canada Area
Chief of Staff to the Leader of the Official Opposition
Parliament of Canada
2009 – 2011 · 2 yrs
Ottawa, Canada Area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Peter Donolo
Vice Chairman at Hill+Knowlton Canada
Executive Vice President and Partner
The Strategic Counsel
2002 – 2009 · 7 yrs
Toronto, Canada Area
Senior Vice President Public Affairs
Air Canada
2001 · less than a year
Montreal, Canada Area
Consul General to Milan, Italy
Government of Canada
1999 – 2001 · 2 yrs
Milan Area, Italy
Director of Communications
Office of the Prime Minister
1993 – 1999 · 6 yrs
Ottawa, Canada Area
Director of Communications to the Leader of the Official Opposition
Parliament of Canada
1991 – 1993 · 2 yrs

Peter Donolo has been a political operative for Liberals for a very long time. He was in the Office of the Official Opposition for Jean Chretien. When Chretien took power, Donolo went to the PMO. He was back in the Office of the Official Opposition for Michael Ignatieff, and worked Provincially with the Kathleen Wynne Liberals in Ontario. He has also as a marketer and lobbyist in the private sector.

As an aside, after losing badly in the 2011 Federal Election, Ignatieff went to work for George Soros and the Open Society. He is currently a Global Board Member.

What's disturbing is the recent proliferation of taxpayer funded groups whose stated purpose is to "combat misinformation". It creates an inherent conflict of interest, particularly when political hacks are running them. It comes across as providing cover for colleagues.

| GROUP | YEAR | AMOUNT |
|---|---|---|
| Agence Science-Presse | 2019-2020 | $129,345 |
| Apathy is Boring | 2018-2019 | $100,000 |

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| Apathy is Boring | 2019-2020 | $340,000 |
| Boys and Girls Clubs of Canada | 2019-2020 | $460,000 |
| Canadian News Media Association | 2019-2020 | $484,300 |
| CIVIX | 2018-2019 | $275,000 |
| CIVIX | 2019-2020 | $400,000 |
| Encounters with Canada | 2018-2019 | $100,000 |
| Quebec Professional Journalists | 2019-2020 | $202,570 |
| Global Vision | 2019-2020 | $260,000 |
| Historica Canada | 2019-2020 | $250,000 |
| Institute for Canadian Citizenship | 2019-2020 | $250,000 |
| Journalists for Human Rights | 2019-2020 | $250,691 |
| Journalists for Human Rights | July 14, 2020 | $1,479,856 |
| Magazines Canada | 2019-2020 | $63,000 |
| McGill University | 2019-2020 | $1,196,205 |
| MediaSmarts | 2019-2020 | $650,000 |
| New Canadian Media | 2019-2020 | $66,517 |
| Ryerson University | 2019-2020 | $290,250 |
| Samara Centre for Democracy | 2019-2020 | $59,200 |
| Sask Weekly Newspapers Ass'n | 2019-2020 | $70,055 |
| Simon Fraser University | 2019-2020 | $175,000 |
| Vubble Inc. Unboxed project | 2019-2020 | $299,000 |

As addressed in an earlier piece, numerous groups are getting handouts from the Federal Government — or rather, taxpayers — to act as fact-checkers. Problem is that the media and fact checkers are supposed to act as a counter balance to Government. Here, we have Government Operatives like Donolo running the show. Huge conflict of interest.

Peter Donolo is on the Board of CIVIX, as is Rachel Curran of Facebook. They are involved in pushing their version of democracy in Canada.

Donolo is also a Director at JHR, Journalists for Human Rights. Chad Rogers is as well, and he also works for Crestview Strategy, a lobbying firm hired by GAVI, and co-founded by Rob Silver. JHR's mission includes providing services to combat "misinformation" around the coronavirus.

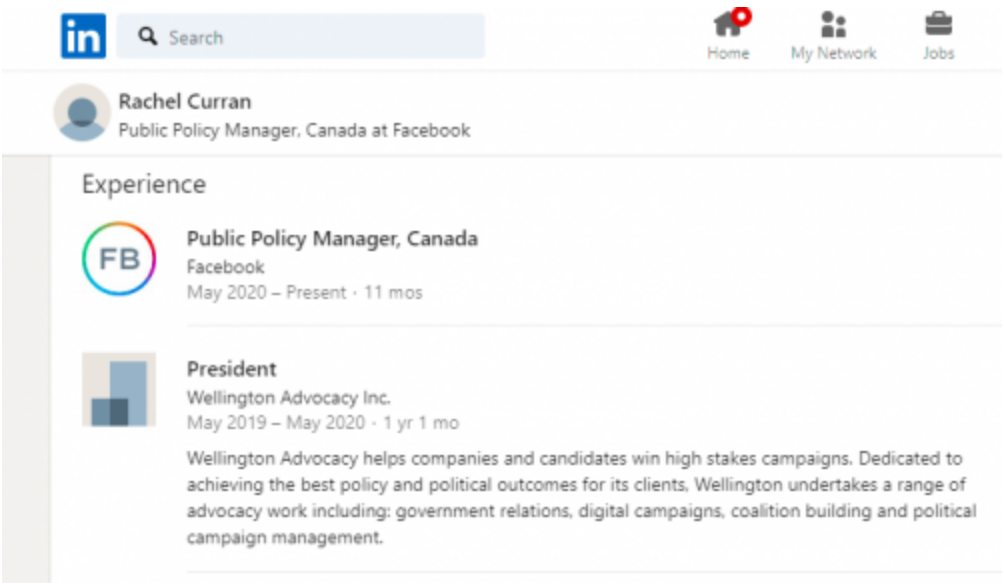
More grants from the Federal Government can be found HERE. CIVIX has gotten funding for years.

CIVIX Board Members
***Francis LeBlanc – Chair***
***Former Executive Director, Canadian Association of Former Parliamentarians***
Chris Wilkins – Past Chair
CEO, Edge Interactive
Robert Asselin
Senior Director, Public Policy, Blackberry
Megan Beretta
Policy Analyst, Canadian Digital Service
***Rachel Curran***
***Public Policy Manager, Canada, Facebook***
***Peter Donolo***
***Vice-Chairman, Hill + Knowlton Strategies Canada***
Dr. Elizabeth Dubois
Assistant Professor of Communication, University of Ottawa
Kathleen Monk
Principal, Earnscliffe Strategies

Donolo's LinkedIn page leaves out his ties to CIVIX and Journalists for Human Rights (JHR). How strange.

Donolo indirectly runs a group called "Disinfowatch". This is another self proclaimed fact checking group, controlled by Journalists for Human Rights, and the Koch-funded MacDonald-Laurier Institute.

## 5. Rachel Curran: Facebook, Harper Operative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Facebook
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May 2019 – May 2020 · 1 yr 1 mo
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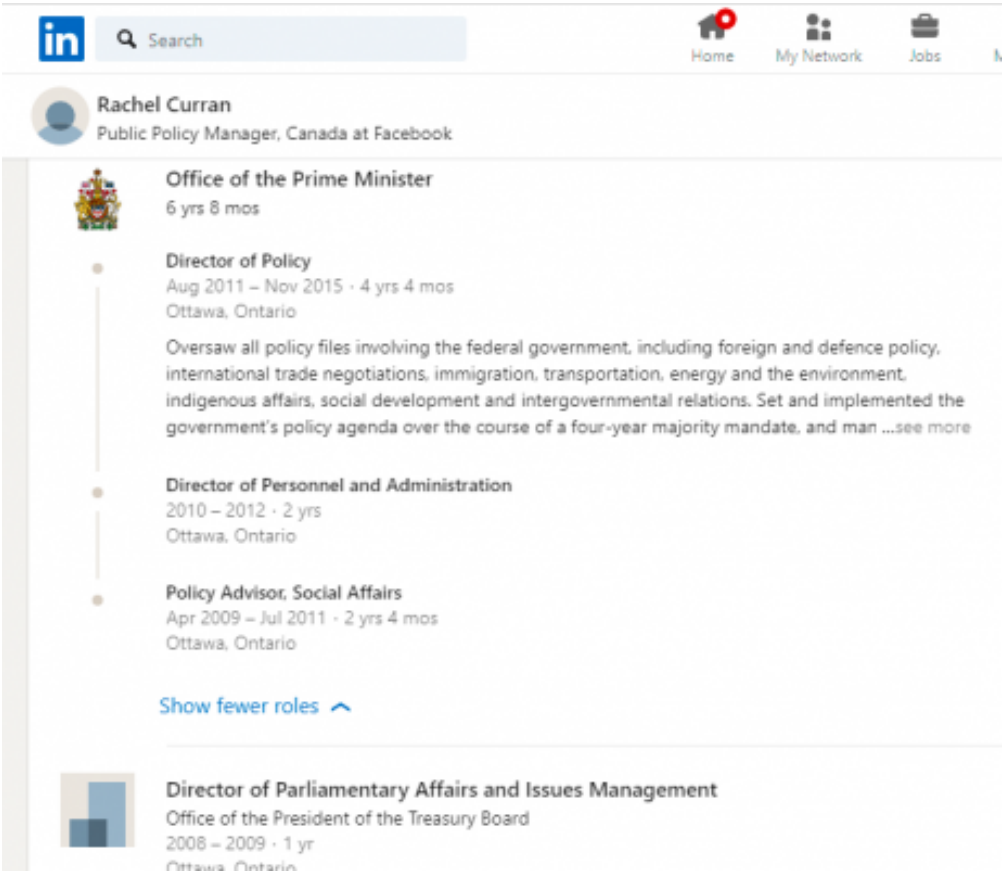
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Rachel Curran
Public Policy Manager, Canada at Facebook
Office of the Prime Minister
6 yrs 8 mos
Director of Policy
Aug 2011 – Nov 2015 · 4 yrs 4 mos
Ottawa, Ontario
Oversaw all policy files involving the federal government, including foreign and defence policy, international trade negotiations, immigration, transportation, energy and the environment, indigenous affairs, social development and intergovernmental relations. Set and implemented the government's policy agenda over the course of a four-year majority mandate, and man ...see more
Director of Personnel and Administration
2010 – 2012 · 2 yrs
Ottawa, Ontario
Policy Advisor, Social Affairs
Apr 2009 – Jul 2011 · 2 yrs 4 mos
Ottawa, Ontario
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Director of Parliamentary Affairs and Issues Management
Office of the President of the Treasury Board
2008 – 2009 · 1 yr
Ottawa, Ontario

Rachel Curran worked in the Prime Minister's Office when Harper was in power. She also is a Board Member at CIVIX along with Peter Donolo. She also works for Facebook Canada. She has previously been a CBC pundit and a professional lobbyist at Wellington Advocacy. What an interesting career this has been.

While working in the PMO, Curran was frequently lobbied by many different special interest groups.

For more background on the collusion between politics, the media, and "fact-checkers", check out this other piece on the subject.

## 6. Erin O'Toole: CPC, Ex-Facebook Lobbyist

Registry of Lobbyists
Registry Search
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Statistics
Registry Dashboard ➔ Advanced Registry Search ➔ Advanced Registry Search Results ➔ Registration
Registration - Consultant
Facebook, Inc. / Erin O'Toole, Consultant
Registration Information
Client name: Facebook, Inc.
Lobbyist name: Erin O'Toole, Consultant
Initial registration start date: 2011-12-01
Registration status: Inactive
Registration Number: 812852-288445
All Monthly Communication Reports for Facebook, Inc.
Erin O'Toole, Heenan Blaikie LLP (Consultant)
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Facebook, Inc.
Consultant: Erin O'Toole
Designated Public Office Holders who participated in the communication:
Patrick McIntyre, Senior Policy Advisor | Industry Canada
Subject Matter of the communication: Economic Development
Communication date: 2011-12-06
Posted date: 2012-01-16
Communication number: 288445-203613
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Facebook, Inc.
Consultant: Erin O'Toole
Designated Public Office Holders who participated in the communication:
Joanne McNamara, Chief of Staff | House of Commons
Subject Matter of the communication: Economic Development, Regional Development
Communication date: 2011-12-06
Posted date: 2012-01-16
Communication number: 288445-203612
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Now, Chan and Donolo have ties to the Liberal Party of Canada, but what about the Conservative Party? Will they step in and raise meaningful questions?

Prior to getting into politics, Erin O'Toole worked for the (now defunct) law firm, Heenan Blaikie. Its former partners include Pierre Trudeau and Jean Chretien. O'Toole also engaged in lobbying on behalf of Facebook, something not discussed during the recent CPC leadership campaign. And while campaigning, he openly called for a "war footing", and emergency measures.

As a side note: Roy Heenan, co-Founder of Heenan Blaikie, used to be the Head of the Trudeau Foundation.

## 7. Media Influence And Subsidies

(1) Unifor, Media, In Bed With Gov't, $595M
(2) Government Subsidizes Media To Ensure Positive Coverage
(3) Aberdeen Publishing Takes Handouts, Ignores Real Issues
(4) More Periodicals Taking Grants, Parroting Gov't Narrative
(5) Subsidized Fact-Check Outlets Run By Political Operatives
(6) Groups Funded By Tax Dollars To Combat "Misinformation"
(7) Even More Subsidies Canadian Outlets Are Dependent On
(8) DisinfoWatch Has Ties To Atlas Network/Koch, Liberal Party
(9) Media, Banks, CU, Getting CDA Emergency Wage Subsidies (CEWS)

(10) Advertising And Marketing In Promoting “Pandemic” Narrative

(11) NSERC/SSHRC/CIHR Grants In “Confidence”; Mandatory Vaxx

Just a thought, but perhaps the media and social media outlets in Canada aren’t all that fair and unbiased. Just putting that out there. Maybe those “pandemic bucks” go a long way towards ensuring cooperation.

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## 2 Replies to “Kevin Chan, Facebook, Peter Donolo, Rachel Curran, Ottawa Colluding On “Pandemic” Narrative”

**purplefungus**

**APRIL 1, 2021 AT 3:47 AM**

Wow! There isn’t ANY distance in political parties and really, not in their behaviour either.

How does on escape?

**Lin**

**APRIL 11, 2021 AT 9:42 PM**

Excellent article!